



Ross Victor "R.V." Hayden

July 4, 1970 - March 5, 2016

Ross Victor "R.V." Hayden was born to Ira Victor Hayden and Katie May Surber Hayden on January 10, 1942 in Clinton, Oklahoma. He died Saturday, March 5, 2016 at the Lindsay Municipal Hospital.

R. V. graduated in 1960 from Clinton High School, where he was an All-State Baseball player. After graduation, he attended Central State College at Edmond, Oklahoma, where he graduated at mid-term in 1964 with a double major in Psychology and Science. He first did some substitute teaching until he was contacted about a position in Lindsay High School, teaching one semester of classes for the football coach, who had moved to Texas. He was hired for the job, and then began his duties as a coach and science teacher, starting July, 1965.

R. V. soon met Nita Faye Ellis, and they were married in November, 1966. Their son, Darin Ross Hayden, was born July 4, 1970.

R. V. obtained his Master's Degree in Psychology at East Central State College in Ada. He had a very successful coaching career at Lindsay High School. His baseball team won the State Championship in 1974, and he was selected to coach the All State Baseball team in 1976. His golf team won the State Championship in 1988 and 1989, and he was selected Oklahoma High School Golf Coach of the year in 1989.

R. V. was also a high school and middle school counselor until his retirement from Lindsay Schools in 1994. He was a long time member of the Oklahoma High School Coaches Association.

R. V. Was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Bonnie Alexander; his brother, Sonny Hayden; and by Nita Ellis Hayden.

R. V. is survived by his son, Darin Ross Hayden and his wife, Sheila, by his sister, Katie Ware, and a host of friends, who will miss him greatly.

Funeral services are set for Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at 2 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, located at 114 W. Chickasaw in Lindsay, Oklahoma with Rev. Robert Harrison officiating. Interment will follow at Green Hill Cemetery in Lindsay, Oklahoma. Services are under the direction of B. G. Boydston Funeral Home of Lindsay, Oklahoma. Condolences may be made to the family online at www.boydstonfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall

KS

“Darin, Always thought your dad was one of the best. I smiled when I heard the story at his funeral about shooting free throws with your eyes closed. I had thought of it on my way to Lindsay that morning. I will always think of him as my baseball coach. I will miss him. Let me know anything I can do for you and thanks for all the help you gave my dad over the years.

Kim Shoemake - March 28, 2016 at 10:27 AM

CM

“We will always miss you coach,

Charles McGuire - March 11, 2016 at 03:02 PM

PH

“Sending my deepest condolences to all who thought the world of this good man. You will be missed Coach. Thank you for being my friend. Rest in peace, God bless and God speed

Phyllis Herring - March 10, 2016 at 11:46 PM

BW

“Today is a very sad day in our lives. Uncle RV, we will miss your bright smile. The Lord has taken you home and relieved you of the pain you have endured. You will live on in our hearts and we will see you again. Until that day All our love and sorrow. Bob and Leslie Ware

Bob and Leslie Ware - March 10, 2016 at 10:41 AM

CM

“My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Cynthia Terry Malicoat - March 09, 2016 at 02:47 PM

GB

“ *Darin and Family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We loved RV and he will surely be missed!*

Gina Beam - March 09, 2016 at 09:05 AM

MY

“ *Coach, you were tough on me when I first played for me, but you made me a better football player and a better man. May God have rest for your soul with Him. Deepest sympathy, Mark Young*

Mark Young - March 08, 2016 at 08:48 PM

KH

“ *Darin, I am so sorry for your loss. I am thinking of you and praying for you. God Bless You! I love you, Kristi (Kennedy) Herd*

Kristi Herd - March 08, 2016 at 10:08 AM

CW

“ *My parents, E.B. and Veda Moore enjoyed a fond friendship with R.V. , holding him in highest regards. My sympathies to the family.*

Carol White - March 08, 2016 at 12:25 AM

JM

“ *Darin and family , our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.. John had RV as a couch and he also became a friend.We will always remember the love he showed us*

John and Madonn - March 07, 2016 at 08:49 PM

CM

“ *Darin so sorry on the loss of your Dad. May your memories give you comfort as you reflect back on the years you had with your Dad. He was an excellent coach and I had him as a science teacher.*

Carolyn Malena-Franklin - March 07, 2016 at 05:35 PM